



21. (New) A method of manufacturing a liquid toner composition for electrophotography, comprising the steps of:

heating a thermoplastic resin within a solvent capable of dissolving said thermoplastic resin when heated and substantially incapable of dissolving said resin at room temperature, an SP (solubility parameter) value of said solvent being adjusted to control the particle diameter of toner particles, to dissolve and mix with the solvent; and

cooling the mixture to permit precipitation of the toner particles, wherein inorganic fine particles are added to the mixture before initiation of the toner particle precipitation.

22. (New) A method of manufacturing a liquid toner composition for electrophotography, according to claim 21, wherein said liquid toner composition contains at least one of a dispersant and one or more substances selected from the group consisting of nigrosine series dyes, metal soaps such as manganese naphthenate, calcium naphthenate, zirconium naphthenate, cobalt naphthenate, iron naphthenate, lead naphthenate, nickel naphthenate, chromium naphthenate, zinc naphthenate, magnesium naphthenate, manganese octylate, calcium octylate, zirconium octylate, iron octylate, lead octylate, cobalt octylate, chromium octylate, zinc octylate, magnesium octylate, manganese dodecylate, calcium dodecylate, zirconium dodecylate, iron dodecylate, lead dodecylate, cobalt dodecylate, nickel dodecylate, chromium dodecylate, zinc dodecylate and magnesium dodecylate; alkylbenzene sulphonates such as calcium dodecylbenzene sulphonate, sodium dodecylbenzene sulphonate, barium dodecylbenzene sulphonate; phospholipids such as lecithin and cephalin; and organic amines such as n-decyl amine.

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23. (New) A method of manufacturing a liquid toner composition for electrophotography, according to claim 22, wherein an amount of said one or more substances excluding the dispersant is 0.5 to 50% by weight, based on the amount of solid components of the liquid toner composition.

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24. (New) The method of manufacturing a liquid toner composition for electrophotography according to claim 22, wherein said dispersant is added in an amount of 0.5 to 80% by weight based on the solid components of the liquid toner composition.

25. (New) The method of manufacturing a liquid toner composition for electrophotography according to claim 21, wherein said inorganic fine particles consist of silica particles or silica particles to which a hydrophobic treatment is applied.

26. (New) The method of manufacturing a liquid toner composition for electrophotography according to claim 21, wherein said inorganic fine particles consist of titanium oxide particles or titanium hydroxide particles.

27. (New) The method of manufacturing a liquid toner composition for electrophotography according to claim 21, wherein the surfaces of the inorganic fine particles are treated with an organic material or a hydroxide.

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